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SEVEN VESSELS ARRIVE WITH FISH

All Have Fair-sized Trips for
the Season.

Receipts of fish at this port today are only of moderate dimensions and confined to one arrival from Quero Bank with 135,000 pounds of salt cod, two from drift fishing with 45,000 pounds each of salt cod, three from pollocking with an aggregate catch of 235,000 pounds, two from halibut- ing with 26,000 pounds and 45,000 pounds of mixed fresh and salt fish, and one halibuter from Anticosti with 8000 pounds of salt cod and 32,000 pounds of halibut.

This is not a very brilliant com- mencement for the second week of June, but as the wind is favorable for vessels to make port some of the east- ern shack fleet may put in an ap- pearance before the day closes.

The shore boats and pollock seiners operating off here did not secure any fish yesterday, owing to undesirable weather that prevented fishing.

The two arrivals from the Rips have good trips and somewhat help out the situation.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Juno, Georges, 8000 lbs. halibut, 5000 lbs. salt cod, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Lillian, Quero Bank, 135,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Patriot, Georges, 45,000 lbs. salt cod, 200 lbs. halibut.

Sch. Mary A. Gleason, Georges, 45,000 lbs. salt cod, 300 lbs. halibut.

Sch. Mystery, Banks, 18,000 lbs. halibut, 18,000 lbs. salt cod, 15,000 lbs. hake, 6000 lbs. flitched halibut.

Sch. Mildred V. Nunan, Rips, 140,000 lbs. pollock.

Sch. Thomas Brundage, Rips, 50,000 lbs. pollock.

Sch. Margie Smith, pollocking.

Sch. Monitor, Anticosti, 32,000 lbs. halibut, 8000 lbs. salt cod.

Steamer Bryda F., 15,000 pounds pollock.

Sch. Herbert and Emma, pollocking.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Ida M Silva, swordfishing.

Sch. Yankee, swordfishing.

Today's Fish Market.

Fresh halibut, 11c per lb. for white and 7½c for gray.

Large halibut cod, \$3 per cwt.; me- dium cod, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.

Trawl salt Georges cod, large, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.

Large salt handline Georges cod, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.00.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$3 per cwt.; medium, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.

Outside sales drift Georges salt cod, \$3.50 per cwt. for large and \$3 for mediums.

Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.

Salt pollock, \$1.25 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1.25; salt hake, \$1.25.

Round pollock, 70 cts. per cwt.; dressed pollock, 75 cts.

Splitting prices for fresh fish, West- ern cod, large \$2 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.65; Eastern cod, large, \$1.60; medium cod, \$1.40; cusk, \$1.60 for large, \$1.20 for medium and 50c for snappers; haddock, 80 cts.; hake, 90 cts.; pollock, round, 65 cts.; dress- ed, 70 cts.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Stilletto of the seining fleet and Esperanto from the banks, arrived at Canso, N. S., Thursday last.

Schs. Terra Nova and Atalanta ar- rived at Halifax on the same date.

Sch. Georgie Campbell arrived at Canso, Thursday last, and cleared for the fishing ground.

Sch. Atalanta arrived at Lunenburg the same date.

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FRESH FISH PRICES HIGH.

Receipts at Boston Insufficient
to Supply the Trade.

Receipts of fish at Boston today, while making a little better showing than at the last of the week, is not up to expectations, as the arrivals are only about a dozen sail, most of whom have but small fares.

The steam trawler Spray seems to be cutting a rapid pace, and is in again today with 57,000 haddock which is more of this particular com- modity than all the rest combined have.

The market is exceedingly firm haddock being quoted from \$3.50 to \$6 per cwt., and other ground fish are accordingly. Indeed receipts are not sufficient up there today to supply the pedlers' trade, and unless relief comes by tomorrow prices will be higher.

The receipts and prices in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Hope, 5000 cod, 40,000 hake.
Sch. Eva Avina, 3000 haddock, 4000 cod, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Emma W. Nunan, 15,000 had- dock, 5000 cod, 20,000 hake.

Sch. Alcenia, 20,000 cod.

Sch. Spray, 54,000 haddock, 200 cod.

Sch. Flavilla, 2000 haddock, 40,000 hake.

Sch. Appomattox, 19,000 cod.

Sch. Hortense, 2000 cod, 5000 hake, 5000 cusk.

Sch. Wesley W. Sinnett, 5500 pol- lock.

Sch. John J. Fallon, 18,000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 9000 hake.

Sch. A. C. Newhall, 35,000 hake.

Sch. Grace Otis, 45,000 pollock.

Haddock, \$3 to \$4 per cwt.; also sold as high as \$5.50; large cod, \$6; market cod, \$3; hake, \$1 to \$2.50; cusk, \$2; pollock, \$2 to \$2.50.

SCH. POLLY AT BOSTON.

Sailed Successfully Through Heavy
Gale of Saturday.

The famous two-masted schooner Polly, 105 years old, the oldest craft in commission in this country and one of the oldest in the world, arrived at Boston yesterday.

The old hooker has just had her sea- going qualities put to the test, for she ran through a furious northeasterly gale Saturday and was rocked by tre- mendous seas for several hours.

All Saturday night Capt. J. H. Wel- don and Mate John Steenkamp never slept a wink. The two men compose the entire ship's company, and they act as officers and crew.

When the Polly was lurching into the great seas it became necessary to shorten sail, as she was dipping water over her bows and was straining con- siderably. The pump had to be worked at intervals to keep her free, but al- together she behaved admirably.

The Polly had been laid up at Rock- land all winter. Early in May she went to Bangor and loaded 48,890 feet of lumber for Boston. She left Ban- gor two weeks ago, towed down the Penobscot river as far as Fort Point and then set sail.

CAPT. CAMERON OVERBOARD.

Thrown Into Water From Seineboat
By Breaking of Oar

Capt. Reuben Cameron of sch. Mary E. Harty, met with what came near being a serious accident recently. The vessel was on the fishing ground and it was blowing a strong breeze, and quite rough. The lookout saw a school of mackerel, and all the crew being eager to capture it, the seine was put on the boat and a start was made to set around it. Capt. Cam- eron who was steering the boat, ac- cidentally broke the oar and was thrown overboard. The boat was immediately turned around and with all their might the crew pulled for their skipper, who was struggling in the water, they succeeded in grasp- ing him just as he was about to sink and pulled him into the boat and rowed him to the vessel, where he was taken on board and soon recover- ed from his involuntary bath.

Capt. Cameron is one of the lead- ing skippers from this port and his many friends will rejoice to learn of his escape from such an accident.

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REFITTING AT THIS PORT.

Br. Sch. Clintonia Will Probably
Bring Next Fare Here.

The British sch. Clintonia, Capt. E. C. Mack, which arrived here last week, weighed off 200,000 pounds of salt cod, and will fit out at this port for a re- turn trip. Capt. Mack said he would take from here 250 hogsheads of salt and with 125 which he had on board he was in hopes of using it, which would salt 430,000 pounds of fish, which his vessel would carry. He will also take on board other stores for the voyage. It is his intention to come here with his next trip and he would try and fill his vessel before return- ing.

This seems like old times when a large fleet of Provincial vessels came direct from the Banks to this port for a market, and when their fish was discharged refitted for other voyages, but of late years those vessels have not come here owing to the tariff.

Halibut Sales.

The fare of fresh halibut of sch. Mystery sold to the American Hali- but Company at 11 cents per pound for white and 7 cents for gray.

The fare of sch. Monitor was sold to the New England Fish Company for 11 cents for white and 7½-2 cents for gray and that of sch. Juno to the same company for 10 and 7 cents.

This is a large raise over last week's sales.

Fitting for Swordfish.

Schs. Grace Darling, Nokomis and Motor are fitting out at Boston for swordfish. The red sides and other peculiar color of painting on the latter vessel attracted much attention when she arrived at T wharf from this port, where she received her beautiful garment of paint.

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NO NEWS FROM THE SEINERS.

Metters Off Newport Sustained
Damage From Storm.

There is no change to note in the mackerel situation, for no direct news has been received from the Cape Shore fleet, and reports from incoming ves- sels are to the effect that bad weather prevails, making it impossible for the seiners to do anything. Meanwhile the elusive fish will continue on their mi- gratory course, as can be noted by mackerel being taken at Alberton, P. E. I., which is well up the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and 300 miles from where the vessels are now on the south side of Nova Scotia.

This in itself shows conclusively that the mackerel have already covered a wide range of territory and are at a point where they are not usually taken before the middle of July. This was the case when hook and line fishing was in range, and it is reasonable to assume that the habits of the mackerel have not changed, while the inventive genius of man and the method of catching them have. But it may be, should good weather come during the week, the seiners may make some good hauls and secure trips off the southern shore of Nova Scotia and Cape Breton.

The Canadian Fish Bureau on Thursday last reported a few mack- erel being taken at Liverpool, Salmon River, Isaac Harbor and St. Peters. Fair catches by net fishermen at Main-a-dieu and Alberton, P. E. I. Mackerel have also struck in at Pleas- ant Bay, N. S.

This is the first time mackerel have been reported this season at Prince Edward Island and Magdalenes.

The Canadian Fish Bureau of Friday last, reports no mackerel at Yarmouth or immediate vicinity, but 10 barrels were taken at Isaac Harbor, and at White Head the drailers took from 200 to 500 per boat, but very few in moored nets. At Alberton, P. E. I., fair fish- ing is reported but none anywhere else.

Newport Netting Fleet Suffered From
Gale.

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At Newport it has been blowing heavy from the eastward the last three days and some of the netters have met with serious mishap in way of loss of nets and other minor accidents.

Sch. Thistle of Salem lost 30 nets, and sch. J. W. Hamilton of Boston lost mainboom and mainsail. There were other net losses and narrow escapes of crews. According to report, some of the other vessels which went into New Bedford were to have started out today to look for their lost nets.

Sch. Blanche Irving of this port came in, with a dory picked up off No Mans Land, Saturday morning, which may mean something serious. The dory was not marked for ownership.

The opinion was expressed that when the fleet returns there may be some startling news of thrilling experiences the fleet underwent Friday and Saturday during the storm.

Sch. W. H. Reed of New York was high boat with 1300 mackerel; the schooner Bernie and Bessie of Portland had 1200 and the sch. Blanche Irving of Gloucester 1000 mackerel, which brought 25 cents apiece.

Netters at Newport.

Sch. W. H. Reed 1300 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Bernie and Bessie, 1200 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Blanche F. Irving, 1000 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Lafayette, 900 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Minnie T. Rachett, 75 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Reliance, 75 fresh mackerel.

Sloop On Time, 75 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Crustacea, 100 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Mabelle E. Leavitt, 900 fresh mackerel.

Sloop Wodan, 25 fresh mackerel.

Sch. N. A. Rowe, 500 fresh mackerel.

Sloop Thistle, 65 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Clara T., 400 fresh mackerel.

Sch. J. W. Hamilton, 300 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Lillian, 300 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Catspaw, 150 fresh mackerel.

Saw Schools Off Lockport, N. S.

Capt. Malone of sch. Lillian, which arrived from a codfish trip this forenoon, reports that when about eight miles off Egg island, which is about 45 miles east of Halifax, he run through large schools of fish which the crew and himself called mackerel. About six miles off Lockport, early in the morning he saw several schools which showed well, but there were no seiners in sight. It was rough and blowing a strong breeze, so that seiners would have been unable to fish.

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FISH RECEIPTS NOT PLENTIFUL.

Only One Shacker and One Halibut at this Port.

Receipts of fish at this port today are of a meagre character and confined to two trips, one from Quero with 90,000 pounds of fresh cod and 25,000 pounds of salt cod, and one halibut catcher with 20,000 pounds of halibut and 9000 pounds of cod.

The non-arrival of more of the eastern shack fleet is evidence, as previously reported, that they are finding slack fishing on Quero and other grounds in that section. Five vessels of the shack fleet have already arrived and all tell of the scarcity of fish on the Banks, although two of them secured good trips. But the big fares of last three or four years, when every vessel arrived filled to the hatches is not in evidence as yet, and reports already made seem to bear out the fact that this fishery will not be as successful as regards big fares as was anticipated some time ago.

In view of the present outlook it must seem that receipts of fish the next month or so, will not equal that of one year ago.

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Sch. John Hays Hammond, Banks, 20,000 lbs. halibut, 6000 lbs. salt cod, 3000 lbs. fresh cod.

Sch. Romance, Quero Bank, 90,000 lbs. fresh cod, 25,000 lbs. salt od.

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HAGUE TRIBUNAL HELD FIRST BUSINESS SESSION YESTERDAY

Proceedings Opened With Presentation of the British Case.

Four Contentions on Which Decisions Are Asked.

The first business session of the arbitration tribunal which is to decide the Newfoundland fisheries question between the United States and Great Britain, was held in a chamber of the historic Binnenhof yesterday. The president of the court is Professor Henrich Lammasch of Austria. The proceedings opened with the presentation of the British case by Sir Robert B. Finlay. Senator Elihu Root heads the delegation of attorneys representing the United States.

The Premier of Newfoundland, Sir Edward Morris, has arrived at The

United States shall have the right to take fish. The United States claims that this gives inhabitants of the United States the right to take fish through others as well as themselves—in other words, they can send crews of Scandinavians, Poles or Spaniards to Newfoundland waters. Great Britain says, "No." The right is exclusive to bona fide inhabitants of the United States and cannot be exercised through a third party.

(2) The United States refuses to pay light dues for the maintenance of fog alarms or stations on the coasts of Canada or Newfoundland, because they did not exist in 1818. Great Britain claims that the United States is bound to pay the same as other nations, and that the United States' special rights under the treaty do not exempt them from ordinary municipal law.

(3) Great Britain says that American vessels must enter and clear at the customs when they enter Canadian or Newfoundland waters. The United States holds that when their ships enter those waters under the Treaty of 1818 they are not bound to enter at the customs or to clear when leaving. They claim that they are not in the same position as ordinary commercial or trading vessels, owing to their rights under the treaty.

(4) Under the treaty the United States has rights in Newfoundland to fish "on the coasts" on the western side of Newfoundland, but in Labrador, under the same treaty, they are given rights to fish "on the coasts, bays, harbors and creeks." The British government contends that the Americans have no right to fish in Newfoundland "bays, harbors and



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Senior Counsel of the United States at
The Hague.

Hague to assist Great Britain, and in the interest of the rights of Newfoundland in the case. Sir James Winter, former prime minister and minister of justice of Newfoundland, has also been in consultation with other counsel, and the attorney general of Newfoundland, D. Morrison is likewise participating. On the British side there will also be Sir W. Robson, the attorney general, Sir R. Finlay, Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, chief justice of the supreme court of Canada, Mr. Ewart, K.C., Mr. Shipley, K.C., of Toronto, and J. Aylesworth, Canadian minister of justice.

Stripped of all technicalities the points to be settled as between Great Britain and the United States are:

(1) The Treaty of 1818 between Great Britain and the United States says that the inhabitants of the



C. P. ANDERSON,
Who Will Help in the Fisheries Arguments.

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Good Stock.

Sch. Monitor, Capt. John McKay, which arrived yesterday from a Grand Bank halibut trip, stocked \$3100 while the crew shared \$73 each.

Halibut at Portland.

Sch. Selma arrived at Portland today from Western Bank with 10,000 pounds of halibut which will be sold there.

Bait at Boothbay, Me.

Herring bait is reported quite plentiful at Boothbay, Me.

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Halibut Sale.

The fare of fresh halibut of sch. John Hays Hammond was sold to the American Halibut Company for 10 1-2 cents per pound for white and 7 1-2 cents for gray.

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Nova Scotia Lobsters at Portland.

Schs. Etta M. Burns and Mary F. Smith arrived at Portland, Me., yesterday from Lockport, N. S., with 8000 lobsters each, a total of 16,000, the largest amount landed at Portland this season.